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**Serial No.:** 10/092,113      **Art Unit:** 2111  
**Filed:** 03/05/2002      **Examiner:** Gopal C. Ray  
**Title:** System and Method for Introducing Proprietary Signals Into a Standard Backplane Via Physical Separation

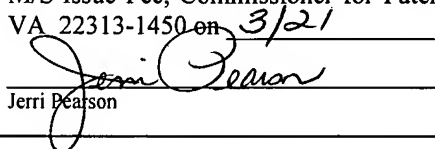
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Applicant respectfully requests that the enclosed formal drawings be reviewed by the Official Draftsperson and approved for inclusion with the above-referenced application.

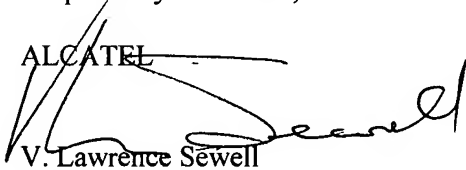
The required Issue fee is being paid concurrently herewith, and the formal drawings are submitted prior to the deadline of March 21, 2005. In addition, Applicant states that the formal drawings submitted with this letter do not introduce new matter for review, and are submitted only as a formality.

Should there be any charge in connection with the review and substitution of these drawings, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0838.

Questions or comments regarding this submission should be directed to the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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